

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A RESOLUTION honoring the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Indiana.

Whereas, The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Indiana was established in Indianapolis in 1869 and continues to be an agent for good within all Indiana communities;

Whereas, The Fraternal Order of Knights of Pythias and its members are dedicated to the cause of universal peace and are pledged to the promotion of understanding among men of good will as the surest means of attaining universal peace;

Whereas, The first Grand Lodge was established in Washington, D.C., on February 19,1864, and was the first to be chartered by an act of Congress;

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Whereas, The Grand Lodge of Indiana boasts many well known members, including John Craven, the first Grand Chancellor, who served as mayor of Indianapolis in 1863 and 1897 and as a state senator in 1868, 1875, and 1877, and James R. Carnahan, a member of the 86th Indiana Infantry during the Civil War;

Whereas, Among the causes that the Knights of Pythias participate in today are the local chapters for cerebral palsy and cystic fibrosis research, the Boy Scouts, and community appearances for efforts such as Adopt-A-Highway and Adopt-A-Spot; and

Whereas, The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Indiana promote the values of family, community, and service to mankind, and these beliefs have helped the Knights enhance the lives of the citizens of Indiana for over 100 years: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to thank the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Indiana for their many contributions to improving the lives of the citizens of Indiana.

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SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Kenneth P. Moder, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Indiana.

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